

46 Stat. 477.  
5 U. S. C. § 718.

Commencement  
and continuance.  
*Ante*, p. 48.

46 Stat. 472.  
5 U. S. C. §§ 710-714.  
*Ante*, pp. 51, 52.  
46 Stat. 477.  
5 U. S. C. § 723.

Effective date.

SEC. 13. The third paragraph of section 13 of the Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"An annuity granted for retirement under the provisions of section 1 or 2 of this Act shall commence the first day of the month following the date of separation from the service, or on the first day of the month following the month in which salary shall cease provided the employee meets the age and service requirements for retirement at that time, and shall continue during the life of the annuitant. An annuity granted under the provisions of section 6 or 7 hereof shall be subject to the limitations specified in said sections."

SEC. 14. Section 14 of the Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 15. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Act shall become effective on the first day of the second month following the month of approval.

Approved February 28, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 85]

#### AN ACT

February 28, 1948  
[H. R. 5391]  
[Public Law 427]

To continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion conferred on the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That subsection (b) of section 1501 of the Second War Powers Act, 1942, as amended by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947 (Public Law 188, Eightieth Congress), is hereby amended by striking out "February 29, 1948," and inserting in lieu thereof "the close of May 31, 1948,". Subsection (c) of such section 1501 is hereby amended by striking out "February 29, 1948," and inserting in lieu thereof "May 31, 1948,".

Approved February 28, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 89]

#### AN ACT

March 3, 1948  
[H. R. 1350]  
[Public Law 428]

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Archives of the United States Government, and for other purposes."

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Archives of the United States Government, and for other purposes", approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1122-1124), as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

(A) By striking out the proviso in section 3, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language: "*Provided*, That whenever the head of any agency shall specify in writing restrictions on the use or examination of records being considered for transfer from his custody to that of the Archivist that appear to him to be necessary or desirable in the public interest, the Archivist shall impose such restrictions on such of the records as are transferred to his custody; and restrictions so imposed shall not be removed or relaxed by the Archivist without the concurrence in writing of the head of the agency from which the material shall have been transferred unless the existence of that agency shall have been terminated: *And provided further*, That restrictions on the use or examination of records in the custody of the Archivist heretofore imposed and now in force and effect under the terms of section 3 of the National Archives Act, approved June 18, 1934, shall continue in force and effect regardless of the expiration of the tenure of office of the official who imposed them but may be removed or

National Archives.

44 U. S. C. §§ 300-300k.  
*Post*, pp. 344, 1028.  
44 U. S. C. § 300c.  
Restrictions on use of records.

relaxed by the Archivist with the concurrence in writing of the head of the agency from which the material has been transferred or by the Archivist alone if the existence of that agency shall have been terminated."

(B) By inserting after section 6 a new section as follows:

"SEC. 6a. Whenever any records the use of which is subject to statutory limitations and restrictions are transferred to the custody of the Archivist of the United States, permissive and restrictive statutory provisions with respect to the examination and use of such records applicable to the head of the agency having custody of them or to employees of that agency shall thereafter likewise be applicable to the Archivist of the United States and to the employees of the National Archives Establishment, respectively."

48 Stat. 1123.  
44 U. S. C. § 300f.  
Statutory restrictions.

(C) By inserting after section 8 a new section as follows:

"SEC. 8a. Any official of the United States Government who is authorized to make certifications or determinations on the basis of records in his custody is hereby authorized to make certifications or determinations on the basis of records that have been transferred by him or his predecessors to the custody of the Archivist of the United States."

48 Stat. 1123.  
44 U. S. C. § 300h.  
Post, p. 1026.  
Certifications, etc.

Approved March 3, 1948.

## [CHAPTER 90]

### AN ACT

To amend subsection 602 (d) (5) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended, to extend for two years the time within which eligible persons may apply for gratuitous insurance benefits.

March 3, 1948  
[H. R. 4141]  
[Public Law 429]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That subsection 602 (d) (5) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, as amended (38 U. S. C. 802 (d) (5)), is amended by substituting "seven" for "five" in the first proviso, so that the subsection will read as follows:

"(5) If any person deemed to have been issued insurance under subsection (3) (A) or (B) hereof die without filing application and within the time limited therefor, death insurance benefits shall be payable in the manner and to the persons as stated in subsection (2): *Provided*, That no application for insurance payments under subsections (2) or (3) as hereby amended, shall be valid unless filed in the Veterans' Administration within seven years after the date of death of the insured and the relationship and dependency of the applicant, where required as a basis for such claim, shall be proved as of date of death of insured by evidence satisfactory to the Administrator: *And provided further*, That persons shown by evidence satisfactory to the Administrator to have been mentally or legally incompetent at the time the right to apply for continuation of insurance or for death benefits expires, may make such application at any time within one year after the removal of such disability."

National Service  
Life Insurance Act of  
1940, amendment.  
56 Stat. 658.

Approved March 3, 1948.

## [CHAPTER 91]

### AN ACT

Making appropriations to supply urgent deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and for other purposes.

March 3, 1948  
[H. R. 5525]  
[Public Law 430]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise

Urgent Deficiency  
Appropriation Act,  
1948.  
Post, p. 213, 1027.